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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PRESSURES ON JAPAN TO LOWER INTERNA-
TIONAL AIR FARES

1. MOST RECENT JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS HAVE CARRIED ARTICLES
AND EDITORIALS NOTING THE PRESSURES IN IATA AND ELSEWHERE
TO LOWER PASSENGER AIR FARES. NIHON KEIZAI AND SANKEI
EDITORIALS SAID THAT JAPAN SHOULD WELCOME THESE TRENDS
INSOFAR AS THEY BENEFIT PASSENGERS AND DO NOT ADVERSELY
AFFECT SERVICE OR SAFETY. HOWEVER, BOTH STATED THAT
JAPANESE AIRLINES (JAL) WILL BE AT A COMPETITIVE DIS-
ADVANTAGE VIS-A-VIS THEIR U.S. COUNTERPARTS UNLESS THE
JAPAN-U.S. AVIATION AGREEMENT IS RENEGOTIATED TO "ELIMIN-
ATE INEQUALITIES."

2. COMMENT: PRESENTLY, MOST ROUTES, ESPECIALLY TRANS-
PACIFIC, ARE FLYING CLOSE TO CAPACITY, AND WITHOUT
ADDITIONAL SLOTS AT NARITA TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF
FLIGHTS JAL APPARENTLY SEES NO INCENTIVE TO LOWER FARES.
ON THE OTHER HAND THE JCAB WOULD PROBABLY LIKE TO RESPOND
TO CONSUMER AND MEDIA PRESSURES AND INCLUDE AN OFFER TO
PERMIT LOWER FARES IN THIS FALL'S CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS.
INDICATIONS ARE THEREFORE THAT JCAB, AND JAPAN AIRLINES
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(JAL), WILL ACCEPT SOME SORT OF MODEST FARE REDUCTIONS
LATER THIS YEAR. MANSFIELD

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